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Referendum Passed, Sent To Campus Council

by Jim Thomas
SGA President

On Monday, Nov. 5, the SGA held a referendum concerning the establishment of an Activities Fee Scholarship Fund that the BSA Political Committee proposed to the SGA Central Committee the previous Wednesday. The referendum, which received unanimous support from the Central Committee, passed the student body by a two to one margin with close to half of the students voting. It has been referred to the Campus Council for further action. Several questions and comments were made on the ballots which this article is being directed toward, but first the Student Government and the BSA Political Committee wish to thank you for your support of the fund.

The main concern expressed was that the activities fee would be raised for the coming year. In the recommendation sent to President Drushal from the Campus Council concerning the activities fee for the coming year, the Council recommended that the fee remain the same next year at \$11 a quarter. Last spring when Council made its budget allocations it was figuring on a student body of 1500 for this fall. We have 1750 students and therefore have an excess in the activities fee account for this year. Next year, planning on a student body of about 1650, the Council

should have the money needed to establish the fund without cutting the existing budgets of organizations. At present, the Council has an excess of several thousand dollars due to the increased size of the student body and to the money that reverted back to Council at the end of last year from organizations that did not use all of their allocated budget for 1969-70. The activities fee is an entirely separate account from room, board, and tuition. The tuition for next year is not going up to \$4000. \$4000 is the projected (estimated?) amount that it will cost a student to attend Wooster for everything from books and "personal expenses" to tuition for classes.

Another concern was the duration of the scholarship fund. To continue, it should be reapproved by the student body each year. It is true that the fund is small and some students felt that "it's just not worth it," but it is also true that everything helps either directly or indirectly; directly by providing funds, and indirectly by indicating where collective student concerns lie and perhaps influencing someone else to endorse these same concerns. No one is as effective as they would like to be, but that is a poor reason to quit. This

isn't a break from regular Financial Aid policy or direction but rather direct monetary and concerned support to a particular aspect of it.

There were several other comments made with reference to whose money it really is (parents, sometimes), what defines "three culturally diverse students", why the money went to freshmen, etc. These questions are valid but it is unfortunate that these issues can shade the major point of the fund; that students are concerned about the lack in sufficient financial aid and that they are willing to indicate their concern by allocating a moderate portion of their activity fee to something that may not directly affect them. It is the hope of the Student Government and of other organizations involved in the campus that students continue to express, how ever slightly, their concern for other students and people in general. Keep on tryin'.

CALENDAR POLL

Of 797 students polled 312 voted "yes" (39%), 315 voted "no" (39%), and 170 voted "maybe" (22%). The major points of the new calendar that were approved were (1) the Fall exam schedule, (2) the date of the beginning of Fall quarter and (3) the date of the beginning of Winter quarter.

The major points that were disapproved were (1) the date of the beginning of Fall quarter, (2) the Spring exam schedule, and (3) the dates of the Fall exam schedule. Based on this information it was decided that the new calendar was basically a successful proposal and further action on it will be postponed until next year when the 22% "maybes" have had a chance to live with it. Why not try something new?

WOOSTER AT THE HILTON

by Charlotte Warren

On Nov. 21 the Alumni Association transplanted a segment of COW to Pittsburgh to present a picture of the college to alumni, parents, guidance counselors, and "friends" in the Western Pennsylvania area.

Representing the administration were Deans Coster, Cropp, Hyman and Plusquellec and President Drushal. Of the faculty Mr. Kieffer, Chemistry, and Mr. Day, Urban Studies, attended and spoke. The Alumni Office chose the Wooster Chorus, who provided the entertainment, student government figures Reir Meloy and Jim Thomas, and about 10 students from the Pittsburgh area to serve as student body representatives.

Some 120 alumni attended the "Wooster in the Alleghenies" conference held at the Pittsburgh Hilton. The program opened at 9:30 a.m. with a speech by Kieffer on "Man and His Environment," followed by a presentation on the urban studies program by Day.

After a coffee break Drushal spoke on the necessity to develop a system of long-range planning for the growing financial needs of colleges, based on the assumption of institutional permanence. He challenged the "survival kit" approach which can fill only a temporary need—the rationale responsible, he said, is a "tragic situation where everyone is expecting us to collapse."

After a brief question period the participants moved on to lunch (chicken breasts over rice) where students were seated at tables with alumni and parents to discuss "contemporary issues" on the Wooster campus and elsewhere. The conversations ranged widely, as students attempted to communicate interpretation of Wooster. The housing situation was one prevalent topic, because of the *Life* magazine cover story on Oberlin's co-ed dorms.

The Wooster Chorus under the direction of Victor Weber provided an entertainment break.

After another discussion period, a panel consisting of President (Continued on Page 8)

Mail Early To Beat The Draft

CPS — The national headquarters of the Selective Service System has issued a memorandum clarifying the situation of registrants with high lottery numbers.

The new memorandum to all local boards instructs them to place any registrant with a lottery number higher than the highest number reached by the board in the second priority selection group of class 1-A, if they are classified 1-A or requested 1-A status in a letter dated before Dec. 31.

The second priority group is the pool of 1-A registrants who are considered to have completed their year of exposure to draft liability. Although the priority group systems was just established under the lottery, registrants have not been called from comparable groups under the old system since the Korean War.

This action, in effect, eliminates the year of exposure for many registrants. Under a policy memo issued earlier this fall, local boards are instructed to inform their registrants of the highest number reached in any given year as soon as possible after the last meeting in December.

Deferred registrants may choose to join this group at any time by requesting that their local board reclassify them 1-A. Under the new policy adopted this fall, if a registrant is the right age and 1-A on the last day of the year he will be considered to have been through his last year of exposure.

The latest change extends this concept even further by allowing registrants who request reclassification to be considered to have served their year of maximum vulnerability if the envelope in which their request is sent bears

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Want to know what's going on in the art world in 1970? You'll have a chance to find out on Thursday, Jan. 7, at the International Art Show in Pittsburgh. This biennial show, which dates back to the 1890's, is an extensive and varied gathering of recent works by America's and Europe's foremost artists, including Picasso, Miro, Max Ernst, and Alexander Calder. You can go by bus at minimal cost. Questions? Ask Mrs. Clark of the art department.

DEATH STRIKES WOOSTER

by Tricia Hill

Designated "Dead Week", the attempt to cool down Wooster's overheated extra-curricular schedule during the final week before exams stems from a faculty policy decision made last year. In effect the idea was to avoid scheduling major events — plays, speakers, choral presentations and the like — for the last week of classes. A further goal was to encourage faculty members to make no new assignments during this period. It was felt that this would give students an opportunity for recapitulation, for pulling things together and organizing themselves before finals. Similar policies are in effect at other schools such as Duke and Stanford.

Translating faculty guidelines into concrete reality this quarter has involved the Educational Pol-

icy Committee in some hassles. Many segments of the campus misunderstood or were unaware of the scope of the policy. For example, the Scot marching band had planned to play at the Wednesday basketball game. The EPC felt that since students receive academic credit for band participation, an official performance would require the involvement of students in an extra-curricular activity during "Dead Week."

This will be the last issue of VOICE this quarter. Happy Holidays. See you Jan. 15th.

In another instance the EPC denied the request (and subsequent petition for reconsideration) of the Scotties to perform. A minority faction of the EPC felt that this constituted a case of voluntary participation and that their request should have been granted.

Lowry Center Board scheduled a dance and had already contracted with a band, apparently without realizing that this hardly fits the "Dead Week" concept. The new policy was also adopted too late to change the basketball schedule (Continued on Page 3)

Eighteen-Year Old Vote Constitutional Question

by Ken Krantz

The current debate over the Voting Rights Act is rare among political controversies in that it does not touch directly on the merits of the issue raised. Everyone, it seems, is in favor of lowering the voting age to 18 (as am I, for reasons that go beyond my obvious personal interest in the matter). The debate is over whether the reform should be instituted through statute or Constitutional Amendment.

According to an earlier *Voice* article on this subject ("Students' Court Right To Vote", October 9, 1970), those in favor of the former course cite "expert legal opinion" to the effect that the 14th Amendment forbids the states to deny their citizens equal protection of the law. Quite true. It is clear then, that if we interpret the equal protection clause to include voter qualifications, then Congress can and should enfranchise 18-year-olds. And 17-year-olds. And 16-year-olds. In fact, since the Amendment defines citizens as those "born or naturalized in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof (emphasis added)", we ought to send registrars to the maternity wards of the nation.

If "expert legal opinion" had read a little further in the 14th Amendment, they would have seen that Section 2, unlike Section 1 quoted above, specifically mentions voter qualifications. According to Section 2, the Federal Government may intervene "when the right to vote . . . is denied to any of the male inhabitants of each state, being twenty-one years of age." It is the opinion of the "expert legal opinion", in other words, that an amendment which sets 21 as the voting age sets 18 as the voting age. Is that clear to everyone?

Section 2 can, of course, be changed. It was once, as a current series of 6 cent stamps reminds us. However, since the supporters of woman suffrage lacked the enlightened insight of "expert legal opinion", they held to the old-fashioned belief that the only way to change the Constitution is by Constitutional Amendment.

I for one still do. Several weeks ago I confronted a friend of mine with approximately these same arguments and asked why he felt that Amendment 14, Section 2 should be changed by a method other than that by which it was changed 50 years ago. I forget the exact wording of his reply,

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ZPG Faces Apathy

by Carole Hyde

Most Americans are aware of the ecology crisis. Due to the accelerated campaign of conservationists and ecologists during the past several years, it is difficult to imagine how one could escape exposure to this matter.

What is not generally known, or perhaps not sufficiently appreciated, is the urgency of the ecological problem. America's natural resources, wilderness, and wildlife, so taken for granted in the past, are now dangerously threatened by an ever-expanding consumer society. The destruction of the system that sustains us, threatens not merely the freedom of individuals and the stability of society, but the very existence of mankind. Population growth lies at the heart of the problem: too many people are making too heavy demands on irreplaceable natural resources and are upsetting the entire balance of nature.

The COW chapter of nationwide Zero Population Growth, in conjunction with a similar group from Wooster High School, is attempting to combat population growth by educational means. This task is not easy, for ZPG is faced not only with the problem of members bogged down with studies, but also with a certain amount of apathy from the student body. The high school students—some of ZPG's most enthusiastic members—are faced with a conservative administration as well as student apathy.

In an age of the ineffectual and helpless "little person" ZPG perhaps serves as a personal answer to those concerned with the ecology crisis. ZPG is willing to share its information and to give tips on what the individual can do to conserve resources. Feel free to go thru ZPG's growing file of environmental and population information in the SGA room in Lowry. It's becoming everybody's responsibility to get involved.

Precedent For Repression

Michael Allen is a 1969 graduate. Michael shares the concern of the Deans, but obviously from a different viewpoint. There has been an appeal from Galpin for the establishment of "Guidelines". The Publications Committee has submitted a revised constitution to the Deans. This was not enough; the Deans wanted "Guidelines" so they submitted the Associated Press Managing Editors Associations 1962 Guidelines to the chairman of the Publications Committee. The sudden interest in the Voice was sparked by the Nov. 6 issue. The deans have only consulted the Editor once. At that time they were quizzed "What do you want?" The reply was "Simply a good paper." However they have called on the Faculty Advisers to Voice many times, causing the latter to call two special meetings of the Publications Committee. It is disheartening that the Deans did not show this genuine concern when the last three Editors, including the present one, requested that some sort of structured 399 in journalism. We feel the paper has been a "good one". The following is Michael Allen's assessment of the situation. —N. S.

Dear Nate—

I realize as I start writing this letter, that the most I can hope is that you will know you have my support. I have little hope that anyone in a powerful position will be listening.

You yourself know the history of Voice editors the last few years, and how all the publications have been subject, at one time or other, to rumors and threats of censorship and removal of funds. Two years ago Mark Johnson, the Voice editor, lost credits he needed for graduation in a neat faculty-administration *pas de deux*—he was not even allowed to appeal or re-submit his paper on journalism. Last year Rosie Menninger became the victim of cruel administration psychological tortures, innuendoes and threats coming from none other than the president of the college. The reprisals vary with the tactlessness or manipulative genius of the administration, and the reprisals vary with the amount of fear they have—fear that they cannot show to trustees and investors in the college that yes, Wooster is a safe place.

It pains me to know that you are facing the same hassles we faced two years ago. I know it is no fun to work and edit and worry whether you are being fair and worry if the rumors and threats of cut-backs in funds will come true. And all for some words on pieces of paper. Perhaps the reason for the troubles honest and inventive publications go through lies in the fact that words are the hardest things for administrators to control. And let's face it, administrators are creatures of power, caught in rules and finances and the idea of control, manipulation and managing things. The words they use sound friendly; those who have control want friends. But they do not understand words or expression nor honest opinion. These things are the part of being human that can be least controlled, except by those who speak them. I suppose it is difficult for persons of power and wealth who regulate and manipulate, to understand that they simply do not have any business trying to control the most human part of man, his speech.

The interchange of opinions, emotions and concepts is what makes a community. Any concept of community without the freedom for persons to speak whatever concerns them is false, and inhuman. I think it only fair to say that what the administrators of this campus are doing to you, Nate, and have done to persons formerly in your position, is inhuman. It may appear to be a fine distinction, but it a distinction worth learning, and it is one of the most precious things I learned at Wooster—the brute evil of those who would manipulate your voice to silence.

Peace,
Michael Allen
Editor, 1969 "COW"

High Academics, Intense Concern

(CPS) — America's entry into Cambodia and the Jackson and Kent State shootings produced the most intense reaction on colleges and universities with the highest academic admission policies, according to a survey by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education.

The commission survey of 2,551 college and university presidents, with 73 percent responding, also concluded that colleges and universities in the Northeast showed greater reaction than elsewhere.

The commission said colleges and universities that admit freshmen from the top 10 percent of high school classes had more re-

action than schools with open admission policies. The study made no comment on this finding.

In the most selective schools, there were these reactions: 35 percent had student strikes of one day or longer, 80 percent had student campaigns to communicate with local residents about the war, 79 percent had peaceful demonstrations and 9 percent violent demonstrations.

Schools with open admissions had these reactions: 9 percent strikes, 33 percent campaigns, 41 percent peaceful demonstrations and 5 percent violent demonstrations. Some schools were listed in more than one category.

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Letters To The Editor

SILENT MAJORITY QUESTIONS MEANS, NOT ENDS

To the Editor:

As one long interested in the affairs of the College of Wooster, as an avid reader of the Voice, and as the parent of a Wooster student, I feel some compulsion to write to you concerning the proposed scholarship fund to be derived from ten percent of the Student Activity Fee.

The motive is admirable. The means is undemocratic. Even worse, it appears to me to be a product of fuzzy thinking.

First the motive. I happen to admire much of the change that has taken place at Wooster. Removed from the battleground itself, I like to think there may be a different kind of clarity in the objective view of an outsider who holds the opinion that there is a special kind of strength that pervades your community that derives from very special people to be found among the student body, the faculty and the administration. And while no single person ever finds himself in agreement with all manifestations of motivation, it is not difficult at all to agree with the desirable fact of their existence. And the desire to help one's fellow man is the best of these.

Then why is the proposal undemocratic? I suggest that there is one "minority group" who have in no way been consulted in this proposal—as it never is in any other matters pertaining to the affairs of the college—the parents of Wooster students. (I often suspect that the only time parents are consulted by the college has to do with what means of transportation home they want their student son or daughter to use if the current bill isn't paid on time.)

In this case, the fact is that in a great proportion of instances, it will not be the student who is paying ten percent of his activity fee into the fund, but rather the parent who actually pays the entire fee.

I believe firmly that students should be represented in the matters that affect them, and I applaud their increasing representation in matters previously considered to be the exclusive domain of faculty or administration. And I believe too in the increasingly meaningful and more relevant interest that faculty and administrative representatives take in student affairs.

As an unregistered self-appointed lobbyist for the parents

—and I haven't the faintest idea whether any of them agree with me—I simply ask when the great day may come when we are to be emancipated from our silence and permitted to be participants in the decision making process?

A word on the subject of fuzzy thinking. I agree wholeheartedly that a fund of \$4800 is pitifully small. My challenge to you is that it need not be that small. I venture to guess that if (1) you asked parental opinion on this proposal that the majority would express their approval, but (2) that if you went to them in such fashion, expressing the nature and dimension of your concern and asked for an extra measure of consideration, that you would accrue a fund far in excess of \$4800.

There are two immensely pragmatic reasons why this would be so. By permitting parents to make this contribution directly (rather than in the form of a buried assessment, ten percent of the activity fee), they could make perfectly legal deductions when reporting their income for tax purposes, and consequently would be encouraged in the process to make larger donations. This would not be so in the activity fee method.

Secondly, many of us in the business community are able to take advantage of the matching gift concept, whereby their companies match, dollar for dollar, the monies given to educational institutions.

I well realize that among you there are those who wish to shift the system away from such tools of Mammon. Let me address two simple questions to this relatively small segment. In the first instance, would you rather have dollars remitted to the government that might be utilized to pursue the adventure in the Far East or to be sent to Wooster to further the education of disadvantaged students? And in the second, would you prefer that the corporations simply reflect these available but unused monies in their profit columns or direct them to Wooster for increasing educational enlightenment?

Keep us out of your system if you will. But in doing so, bear in mind, some of us have learned how to use the existing system, inefficient and insufficient as it may be, to further our common ends.

Right on.

Arthur W. Cowles

DISTURBING THE PEACE

To the Editor:

I have this day received the so-called black edition of the Voice. To be blunt it was (on the whole) a disgusting piece of trash—racist literature which can do nothing to aid either blacks or whites in their attempts to better understand one another.

The idea of making a martyr out of a criminal like Angela Davis, just because of the color of her skin is sad. It shows the logic of hot-tempered minds making quick decisions, blinded by anger which

energy would better be used in more constructive channels.

From what I have heard so far this year the campus at Wooster is quiet, people are getting along—let's keep it that way. I am frankly disappointed in the Voice and its editors for taking such a giant step to destroy peace on the campus and perhaps the only real chance for racial understanding and well being.

Jeffrey B. Wyldé Class of 1970

WHAT IS A NEWSPAPER ANYWAY?

To the Editor:

This may sound like a reechoing of views previously expressed by others; but here are a few thoughts, for what they're worth, in reference to the position of the Voice. It seems that some of us are failing to realize what a newspaper's function is and should be—to convey information and to express individual opinions.

If a Dean or anyone else is pressuring the Voice to conform, in any way, it seems to me that he is violating a fundamental principle of what a college is supposed to do—allow the free and unfettered expression and exchange of information and opinions.

The placement of an article on the front page does not indicate that anyone approves of its con-

tent. An article is placed on the front page because it is considered to be a topic of some interest to the paper's readership. There is only so much space on a front page. It would seem that articles dealing with current interests and controversies should be placed there in an effort to attract our attention and to ask us to think about them ourselves.

If we want to make our views known, then we have to spend some time in seeing that they are presented, by helping the vehicle in which we want to express our views. We all have our cop-outs and rationalizations of why we don't, myself included, but a small group cannot present varied information or opinions unless the parties concerned bother to make them known.

Robert Colton

USE—DON'T ABUSE

To the Editor:

COW is a community of people with many distinctions. How can we come to understand one another if we do not express our views and opinions through some common vehicle? COW does have such a vehicle, the Voice.

In recent weeks, I do believe that the Voice has met its obligation as a community paper in representing some, if not all the people who wanted to be heard on campus. Whether it has been good or bad, correct or incorrect, the views and opinions of those who have wanted to be heard have been. Those who have not wanted to be heard have, in cases, been the ones who have been criticized in some of the articles and editorials. But what they have done is to blame the Voice directly for allow-

ing these criticisms to be printed.

To you who criticize, I say this, "Don't abuse it, use it!" Work through our community's voice/Voice, to rebut all accusations that you feel embarrassing, incorrect, or true. The Voice is not at fault for what it prints. It is just a vehicle of communication from one person to another. If there is anyone to blame then it should be you for not using the Voice to rebut the articles or editorials directed to you.

Let us hope that the Voice can continue to be the mouthpiece of all the people at COW, instead of an instrument of the administration. Remember Czechoslovakia!

All power to the people of the community.

Raymond R. Day, Jr.

WHAT ABOUT SOUR CREAM?

To the Editor:

In answer to a number of letters pointed toward the Physical Education Department and specifically to the comments of a few that feel their brothers

or white cousins have been mishandled in athletics . . . "Cream will always rise to the top, no matter what color it is."

Bob Lafferty

MORE ON

"KEEP THEM CARDS AND LETTERS COMING IN"—BY DEC. 31ST

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a postmark of Dec. 31 or earlier.

Registrants who have served their "year" of maximum exposure, and who have not been issued induction orders, fall into two categories: If the man's lottery number is higher than the highest lottery number which the local board found need to induct during his "year", the man is to be automatically placed in the second priority group. These men,

under all immediately foreseeable circumstances, are safe from induction.

If the local board has found it necessary to issue an induction order to anyone with a higher lottery number during the year, the man will be placed in an "extended priority group" and will be in the first group of registrants inducted during the first three months of the next year.

In effect these changes make it

possible for a deferred man to drop by his local board during his Christmas vacation, find out whether the highest number which his board reached during the year is lower than his, and, if it is, get a letter in the mail requesting reclassification to 1-A. When Jan. 1 rolls around, he will be scot free, unless there is a war or national emergency going on, as long as that request is postmarked on or before Dec. 31.

MORE ON

Alleghenies

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Drushal, Deans Coster, Cropp and Hyman, and Jim Thomas and Reid Meloy, moderated by G. T. (Bucky) Smith, vice-president in charge of development, concluded the meeting.

Smith asked the panel to comment on the question of co-ed housing, to which Thomas replied that proposals were in the making to provide greater diversity of living situations. He and Meloy emphasized the need to maintain both Wooster's "diversity" and the "strong sense of community."

In answer to a question from the floor concerning the issues at Wooster, what students do not like about the place, Hyman said that there were few overt issues; but he sees a basic underlying factionalism with little conversation or confrontation among groups.

The alumni and parents brought with them their own conceptions of Wooster and the image of colleges portrayed by the media. The faculty and administration members offered their interpretation, the students each expressed an individual view of the campus. The picture of COW created was certainly enlarged in scope by the use of student contribution, but was accurate only in so far as the students were representative of the various campus factions. But even with "proportional representation," is there any real Wooster in the Alleghenies, or any place else?

MORE ON

DEAD WEEK

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which is planned a year in advance. Other events this week of the type which will probably be avoided in future "Dead Weeks" are the English department poetry reading and section Christmas parties.

Charges of inconsistency leveled against the implementation of "Dead Week" this quarter can presumably be resolved as the gradual process of establishing this pattern proceeds. More basic questions concerning the entire concept remain. Is it paternalistic in the sense of controlling something which should be a function of student responsibility? Should it be applied only to those events and activities which would require the compulsory participation of certain students? Should its application be more in the nature of a general policy rather than a rigid rule in specific cases? Is there any validity in the idea that games, movies and dances are good pre-exam therapy?

In a lighter vein, a planned "Dead Week" at Wooster is a sufficiently diverting thought in itself.

Giffin

FOR DRUGS

1725 Cleveland Road

"Closest to the Campus"

The Zodiac Circle - Sagittarius

You are a Sagittarius. Born under the sign of the bow and arrow, you are basically enthusiastic and energetic. You make friends fairly easily, and are attracted to people from all walks of life. You enjoy doing things for people, and manage to do this without making them feel like they are under an obligation to you. For this reason, your friends are all likely to be true ones, who won't desert you the moment things don't go well. Movement is vital to you. You like new experiences, and have an independent nature that sends you out constantly to new horizons.

You like to travel, not as an end in itself, but because of the things you learn. You like to delve into many different areas, and tend to cut off abruptly situations which are boring or restrictive to you.

You will probably not marry early. Sagittarians who like freedom of movement are wary of tying themselves down. If you do marry early, you will have to realize that it is necessary at times to sacri-

fice certain privileges in order to make a workable arrangement. If you neglect to take this into consideration, you are likely to have difficulty in making the marriage work.

One of your best attributes is that you are honest, and open in relating to others. However, this can also be a detriment to you, especially when you are with someone who construes your honesty to be displeasure. Be aware of this tendency towards bluntness in yourself, and try to be understanding if others take offense.

You are generally a hard worker and most of the time you work in great bursts of energy, rather than long hours of perseverance. You are interested in people and are able to discover lots of new things by getting to know the people around you. You are not afraid to be free, and, unlike some people, you will find that true freedom gives you the boost you need to live life fully and completely. You are most compatible with Aries and Leo.

MORE ON

Voting Rights

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but in essence it was this: The amendment process might not give us the 18-year-old vote, or it might give it to us too slowly, so we should get it by statute.

I was struck by the fact that he had summed up the real position of those in favor of the Voting Rights Act with a candor that few, if any, of its Congressional supporters would dare exhibit. Their position can be summarized in one sentence: "If following the Constitution stands in the way of an end we consider desirable, we will not follow the Constitution."

I personally consider the Constitution more important than whether I vote in 1972, much as I would like to do so, and more important even than the principle of the 18-year-old vote, important as I consider that principle to be. This is not because of any semi-mystical attraction to that document, or even because I happen to consider it superior to any other form of government with which I am familiar, but because I realize

Sigma Delta Pi, honorary Spanish society, has elected ten new members, for whom initiation ceremonies were held on Sunday, Nov. 22, at the home of the sponsor, Professor Peyton.

Members initiated were: Susan Cameron, Anne Bobo, Adriana Escobar, Sue Fountain, Nancy Hartley, Nancy Porter, Holly Sydlow, Linda Thompson, Linda Weymouth, and Susan Snyder.

Wooster's Epsilon Chapter was founded in 1924.

that if the desires of a certain group of people justify ignoring Amendment 14, Section 2 (and Article I, Section 2; and Amendment 17, Paragraph 1; and Article II, Section 1, which leave the qualifications for voting in House, Senate, and Presidential elections, respectively, to the states) to give me the vote, then the desires of another group of people could just as easily justify ignoring Amendment 13 to put me in a slave labor camp, or ignoring Amendment 1 to forbid me to write articles like this, or for that matter ignoring the whole Constitution, in which case anything goes.

In short, any legal opinion that presumes to be "expert" should realize that the U.S. Constitution is not an abstract concept to be studied in civics classes and obeyed whenever it suits us to do so. It is a working body of law. There is even some talk of its being the supreme law of the land.

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Scot Highlights

by Tom Hilt
VOICE Sports Editor

Although the Fighting Scot gridders closed their campaign with a very dismal 35-0 defeat at the hands of Ashland, this year's football team recorded the best Wooster season, 7-2, since the '59 team registered a 7-1-1 mark. Leading Wooster's All-OAC honors were first team picks Tom Krivos, a junior defensive tackle, and Ron Maltarich, a senior linebacker. Second team honors went to junior fullback Jim DeRose, senior offensive tackle Denny Saettel, and sophomore middle guard Bill Harris, while Honor Mention selections were given to seniors Ron Showalter, an offensive end, and Dave Poetter, a safety.

Having its best season ever, the Fighting Scot soccer team completed an impressive 11-2-1 season, including its fifth straight bid to the NCAA Midwest Regional Championship. Among the highlights of the season were their first victory ever in the NCAA tournament, their third straight OAC Championship, in addition to their third straight undefeated OAC season. The Scots also set a season record for seven shutouts and were ranked fourth in Ohio and ninth in the Midwest in the polls.

Senior Steve Cerretani captured top Ohio honors, including a first team All-Ohio selection and being named the top Defensive Player in the state—the second straight year which a Wooster player has won this honor. Senior goalie John Baetz won second team honors, while juniors Al Banda and Bruce Hiller received Honorable Mentions. Scot mentor Bob Nye was dubbed the "Coach of the Year" by fellow Ohio coaches. When announcing these honors, Nye also announced the Scot opener next season will be against St. Louis, the No. 1 ranked university team in the nation.

The Fighting Scot women are not to be left out of the scene either. Advancing through the Buckeye, Sub-Sectional and Sectional tournaments, junior Linda Fullhart attended the women's field hockey Nationals held at Lancaster, Pa., and going into last night's match against Muskingum, the Scotties volleyball team had a 3-0 record. With victories over Capital, Hiram, and Ohio Dominican, the Scotties look as if they are headed for a second straight undefeated season. In the Capital encounter, junior Janet Nordstrom served 15 straight points to record a 15-0 shutout game, a very unusual feat.

As my roommate told me, "You just picked the Browns too many times!" and I guess that sums up my weekly predictions this past fall fairly well. The OSU Buckeyes were a sure bet, the Scots foiled me twice as did the Bengals several times. However, I believe I only picked the Browns correctly twice all season, and somehow, that's just not good! Statistically speaking, I picked (guessed?) 20 of 30 for a not-so-hot 67 percent on the season.

Swimmers To OAC Relays

Tomorrow the 1970-71 edition of the Fighting Scot swim team will travel to Hiram for the OAC Relays. Eight returning lettermen should give the team needed experience, while a fine crop of freshmen should compliment these experienced veterans.

Leading the lettermen are junior co-captains Jim Cashell and Joe Cummings. Cashell, who finished high in the butterfly events at the OAC Championships last year, holds the school record for the 200 yard butterfly in 2:17.1. Cummings holds the school record for the 1650-yd. freestyle race in 21:01.6.

Sophomore Bob Matchett, last season's Outstanding Freshman

award-winner, holds the school and pool records for the 50-yd. freestyle in 22.5. He was a medalist at the Conference Meet last year. Another sophomore, backstroke specialist Jim Imler, finished last season with a strong Conference Championship race in his event.

Other returning freestylers include senior Scott Dunlop and sophomores Bob Edwards, Norm Hofmann, and Harry Osterman. The veteran breaststroke men are sophomore Jim Henry and senior Bob Viall.

Heading the fine freshman crop are Paul Alcorn, Jeff Cameron, Jeff Keefer, Tom Melter, and John Shenert.

Baab Out--Scots Key For Grove City

by Dave Berkey
VOICE Sports Writer

Tomorrow night's basketball game with Grove City will be an interesting one. Hopefully the students can tear themselves away for a couple hours to watch the 1970-71 team. Although finals are important, it will be an important two hours for the Scots.

The biggest story of the hour is the loss of co-captain Tim Baab for at least a month. "Bambi," last year's Ohio Conference rebound king and an important man for the Scots in the last few years, reinjured his foot which he had broken in September. The injury had not completely healed when Baab began practice and the new problem comes at a crucial time.

Head Coach Al Van Wie should

go with senior Pat Roach and junior Greg Bryant underneath in the Scots' 1-4 set-up. Bryant is the come-back story of the year. Last season at this time "Bear" was sitting in the stands facing the likelihood of the end of his basketball career. Bryant severely cut his right hand in an accident in his room and the damage to the nerves was critical. However, an expert operation and Greg's courage made him a starter again in 1970.

The two wingmen starting for

the cagers will be Juniors Gary Franklin and John Creasap. Franklin's quickness sparked the Scots' comebacks last year and Creasap is a deadly jumper.

At the point is none other than the greatest basketball player in Wooster history, Tom Dinger. The Mansfield Meteor averaged 30.7 points in '69-'70 while setting every Scot scoring record in the books. He leads the fast break that will be essential to success in the new season.

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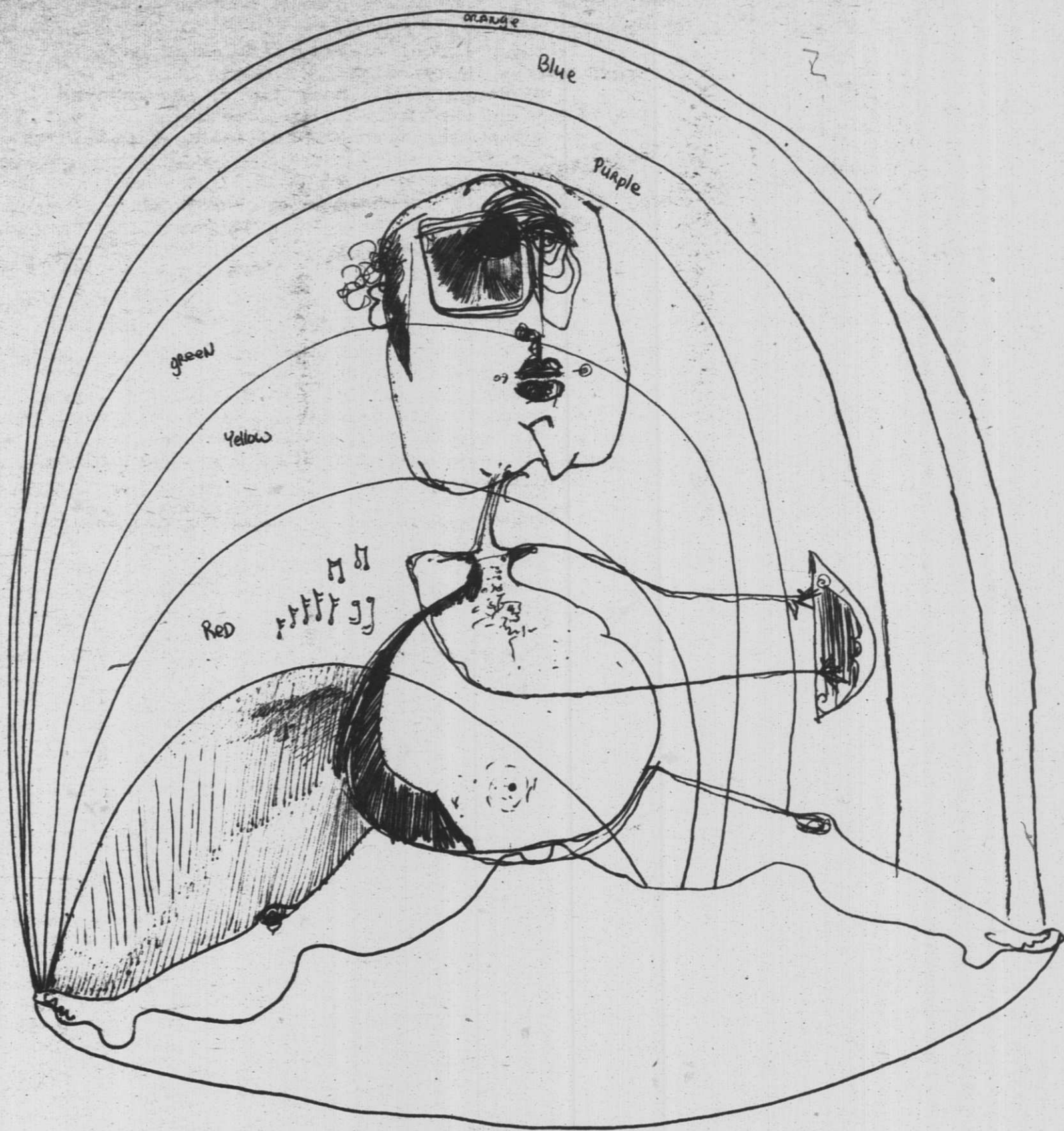
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S., good heart,

Received your letter and hope your brown rice diet continues bringing those positive head vibes. As for myself, I'm getting along quite well, having stumbled into some quite good grass and some quite good poetry, all at the same time.

I think I told you that Marvin Bell was due to arrive on campus. Well, he did, rather round-rolling in and round-rolling out, like an out of the pan gingerbread man, slowing just a bit to entice us to take a bite. But it was a happy temptation, like a skirmish in a tickle war between lovers. And we minded not at all.

He read for about an hour and then for another hour sat around and talked. After it was all over, Slesinger commented that in terms of questions Bell really used us up. But actually I think we reached a point in the discussion (and all good ones have them) when everyone knew the final question had been asked, a situation much like reaching the last paragraph of a long novel. You're a bit sad that it's all over, but you can't wait to bathe in its moist wholeness. However, the comment taken in the sense that we could not possibly consume any more of Bell made great sense to me.

He said Kurt Vonnegut chinned himself on the pipes in his office when he felt the artistic conception bloom. I've started cultivating idiosyncrasies myself.

I talked to him briefly and somehow mentioned you and B.G. He said for you to look up two guys, Burner and Ray, who had been at the Iowa Writers Workshop and are now involved in the creative writing program at B.G. Such an engaging guy as Bell I rarely stumble upon. He even took the time to explain to us Rod McKuen's role in the poetic world. He said that if we dig McKuen, we should keep digging him, because sooner or later we'll find we've outgrown him. But while we're digging him, he's supplying answers; he's speaking to our situations, talking about our troubles and anxieties, and our joys. And that's good, because we'd be digging poetry and thereby linking our emotional and sensual awareness with the rest of the world -- getting outside and inside at the same time, bringing body and soul closer together. Someday, though, he said, McKuen diggers will find that they've outgrown him; they'll find his poetry will not take them to greater heights and depths of experience. It's like in digging poetry, we're constantly digging a deeper and deeper well, finding vaster resources of water. McKuen's well does not go dry; we simply thirst for that cooler, deeper water.

From all this I glean that poetry is an agony; a joyful agony of becoming. It's splitting out of Easter clothes and growing into bed sheets.

But perhaps the most significant thing he said to all us would-be poets was that all a poet could be sure of doing is that in "doing" he must not sacrifice life in pursuit of art. Keeping this in mind I must agree with you when you say D.'s too busy being a poet to naturally become one. Obliquely, art is a vehicle; poetry is an expanding ox-cart carrying a load of heavier and heavier rocks. And it's just a resting place -- a confused half-ordering of intrigues of our outer and inner worlds.

In everything he said, Bell lived as a poet, as one who took out of life that which enabled him to get deeper into it. I think that's what I must do.

A lot's been happening, But I've cultivated a damn good headache, so I'll sign off.

Strength & Peace,
L.

Today I feel slickly sick as if dark sperm moseys in my veins.
Woke up, cunnilinged Nancy; she enjoyed but didn't do hip dances like sometimes.
Eating the lithographed feast of Out There:

Around here
we don't up 'n die
we just do

dah

do dah
do dah

Lordy, I'm calling for the austere lines of a muller of One's own days! But I find every approach to be like that of a young dog greeting a butterfly--and having nothing but sharp things for the caress.

There are no seismographs for deaths like ours.

Tactile. Minds. Grope. Across. Cosmic. Breasts.

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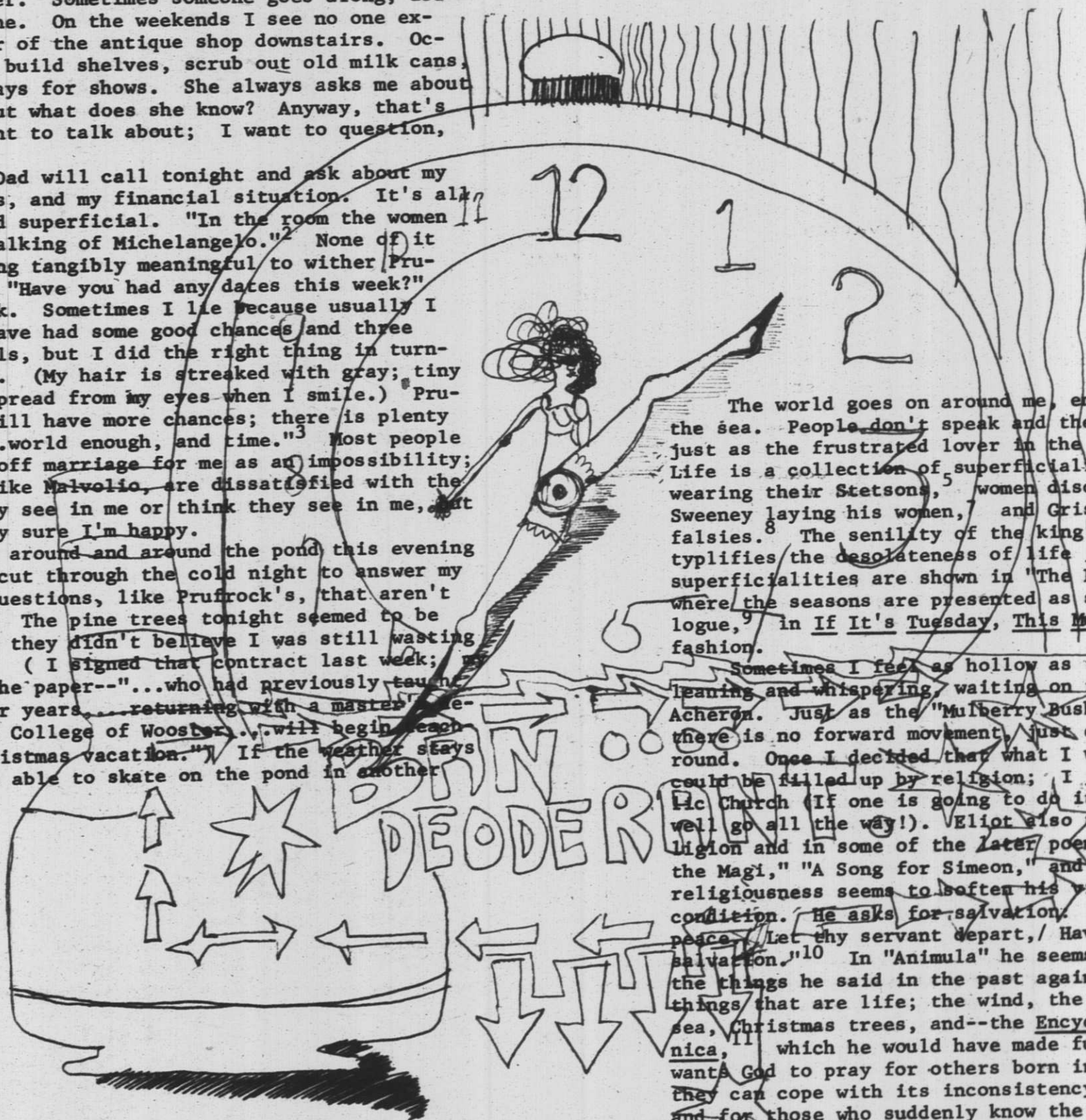
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This day is a hopeless drag; drops of half-snow are melting in streaks down my dirty windows. In the kitchen green mushrooms cling to the sides of their silver can. Sesame seeds litter the counter. These same four dull walls press closer, pinning me tighter, as an entomologist fastening insects to an examining board for identification and tagging. "When I am pinned and wriggling on the wall, / Then how should I begin to spit out all the butt-ends of my days and ways?"¹ (Taking baths and watching old movies take up time and I've done both today; since living here I've watched 369 old movies, all neatly catalogued and rated in columns.) My body aches for the time it will be free of this kind of life, but the days become weeks, the months years. I, like Prufrock, am trapped within the prison of myself, wanting, waiting to be free but unable to make the move.

Sometimes on restless nights I visit old retreats--the shopping mall, Shakey's, Clearfork, Kingwood center. Sometimes someone goes along; usually I go alone. On the weekends I see no one except the owner of the antique shop downstairs. Occasionally we build shelves, scrub out old milk cans, or pack displays for shows. She always asks me about my classes, but what does she know? Anyway, that's not what I want to talk about; I want to question, not answer.

Mom and Dad will call tonight and ask about my cat, my grades, and my financial situation. It's all monotonous and superficial. "In the room the women come and go/Talking of Michelangelo." None of it offers anything tangibly meaningful to wither Prufrock or me. "Have you had any dates this week?" my parents ask. Sometimes I lie because usually I haven't. I have had some good chances and three solid proposals, but I did the right thing in turning them down. (My hair is streaked with gray; tiny crow's feet spread from my eyes when I smile.) Prufrock and I will have more chances; there is plenty of time, "...world enough, and time."³ Most people have written off marriage for me as an impossibility; maybe they, like Malvolio, are dissatisfied with the happiness they see in me or think they see in me, but I'm not really sure I'm happy.

I walked around and around the pond this evening but no voice cut through the cold night to answer my questions; questions, like Prufrock's, that aren't really asked. The pine trees tonight seemed to be nodding as if they didn't believe I was still wasting my time here. (I signed that contract last week; my name was in the paper--"...who had previously taught in Shelby four years...returning with a master's degree from The College of Wooster...will begin teaching after Christmas vacation.") If the weather stays cold, I'll be able to skate on the pond in another month.



The world goes on around me, empty and blank like the sea. People don't speak and their eyes fail them just as the frustrated lover in the hyacinth garden.⁴ Life is a collection of superficialities; businessmen wearing their Stetsons,⁵ women discussing old ills,⁶ Sweeney laying his women,⁷ and Grishkin blowing up her falsies.⁸ The senility of the king in "The Waste Land" typifies the desolateness of life just as life's superficialities are shown in "The Burial of the Dead" where the seasons are presented as scenery in a travelogue,⁹ in If It's Tuesday, This Must Be Belgium fashion.

Sometimes I feel as hollow as the hollow men, leaning and whispering, waiting on the banks of the Acheron. Just as the "Mulberry Bush" jingle indicates there is no forward movement, just circling round and round. Once I decided that what I was lacking inside could be filled up by religion; I joined the Catholic Church (if one is going to do it; one might as well go all the way!). Eliot also turns toward religion and in some of the later poems, "Journey of the Magi," "A Song for Simeon," and "Animula," this religiousness seems to soften his view of the human condition. He asks for salvation. "Grant me thy peace, / Let thy servant depart, / Having seen thy salvation."¹⁰ In "Animula" he seems to be sorry for the things he said in the past against life, the real things that are life; the wind, the sunlight, the sea, Christmas trees, and--the Encyclopaedia Britannica, which he would have made fun of before. He wants God to pray for others born into this life so they can cope with its inconsistency and impermanence and for those who suddenly know the truth or are born into life. In "Marina" he recalls that he made his life--"I made this, I have forgotten/ And remember."¹² which seems to point back to the hollow men who chose their own fate.

I can't read Eliot's "Choruses from 'The Rock'" very well because they are so hung up on religion. I have something against religion since Catholicism didn't fill the void in me as I don't think it filled Eliot's; he seems to be grasping too hard--I think the rock's wet and he's slipping; his fingernails are bleeding from trying. Eliot is like the Magi in that he can live in this world by accepting the One who came to change it. That is a deprecatory comment, but it is admittedly prejudicial.

I can see by the clock that it's midnight; this dull day is finally over; my covers are turned down, "...the toothbrush hangs on the wall" I'll put my shoes on the rug and "sleep, prepare for life." / The last twist of the knife."¹³

Nov. 16, 1970

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Dear Friend:

Being a subscriber to the VOICE, I was most happy to see the announcement of the THISTLE advent. And the question came to me, as an alumna definitely interested in the up-to-date innovations 'on Campus' - - are you interested in Alumni contributions?

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Cordially and sincerely,

L. L. ('30)

Incidentally, I was a Voice staff member when it was just a little publication, nothing such as you have. All power to you, and keep up the Good Work.

MEN AND WOMEN

Present-day science has given us radio and T V both of which make understandable the Principle of Harmonic Attunement. How many of us can or do make application of this Principle of Natural Law to our daily lives, as we go about the business of living--whether it be on campus, in the office, or the home, or any one of a hundred organizational activities?

Suppose we really believed that harmony is the Law of the Universe, as in our hearts we really know it is! Would not much of the discord in the world be eliminated, if we acted in accordance with such common sentiments as 'Like attracts like', 'I like this better than that' and 'you turn me on'--on the one hand, positively speaking, and 'You rile me up' on the other, negative side? What if all life suddenly came to be lived according to the statement 'Birds of a feather flock together'?

Well, they do, anyway, we know that. Whether we are liking things or NOT liking them, we tend to gravitate to the people who think as we do, who tend to act as we do, and whose philosophy of life is in tune with our own. Over several years, we may see that even those with whom we are less than attuned, have certain qualities that build into our personalities, into our own 'inner being' where no one else can penetrate, but where we feel perfectly at home.

So, in that most precious of all relationships, that of man/woman, should we not begin actively to consider this Law that is the true Secret of the Universe, brought down to our own private lives? And might we not thereby discover also that many many small irritations that present themselves, really and truly are not all-important? Why not ask ourselves, periodically, about our personal relationships with another: well, why shouldn't he do it his way, not mine? And, for that matter, be generous enough to ask ourselves also, the converse: Is there any REAL reason why I shouldn't learn something from the way he works, or thinks, or believes?

In this way, might we not be positively building WITH this Law, not just willy-nilly being swept along by it? Thereby, we might by just that little bit be bringing that Peace we all treasure, RIGHT where we are. Then, by radiation, that Peace we cherish in our own hearts, will begin to carry

over to the groups of which we are consecutively being a part; and by extension, that Peace will catch fire and spread like a conflagration of GOOD WILL to reach round the world. And in so doing, it will come full-circle, back to us magnified many fold into the enrichment of our OWN man-woman relationships, and, hopefully, into the ONE relationship we most treasure. Nay, absolutely, it will: for we are building on Law and the Law of the Universe cannot be broken.

- - Ameris Crane

